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Mr. Pete Scanel
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Maywood, New Jersey 07607

Dear Mr. Scanel:

MAYWOOD SITE - PROPERTY AT 107 ESSEX STREET

Thank you for your patience while we evaluated the possibility of adding the 107 Essex Street property to the first phase of cleanups at the Maywood Site.

I know this will be disappointing for you, but we will not be adding the property to the list of those scheduled for Phase-I cleanup. The decision comes after considerable review of various aspects of the property, particularly its radiological profile.

As we have discussed previously, the primary reason for including the Ballod property in Phase I is the concentration of radiological material in the soils. Both the maximum and average concentrations of thorium-232 (the primary radiological contaminant) at the Ballod property are more than 10 times higher than at 107 Essex Street. The relatively low concentrations at the 107 Essex Street property do not warrant moving it from a planned Phase-II cleanup into Phase I.

The Ballod property is scheduled as the last property to be addressed in Phase I. There is no decision on the remedy or exact schedule for Phase-II work, but I can safely state that it will not start until this first phase is completed, which may take four to five years based on the amount of annual funding we receive from Congress.

Again, I understand your desire to have the 107 Essex Street property added to Phase I and your likely disappointment that this cannot be realized. Please feel free to call me if you would like talk more about this issue. My number in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, is (423) 576-5724. Or call our toll-free line at 1-800-253-9759 and leave a message. Someone from the project will relay your message, and I will return your call promptly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan M. Cange".

Susan M. Cange, Site Manager
Former Sites Restoration Division